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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor : Tom Mooty, et al.
Serial N° : 09/577,653
Filed : May 24, 2000
Group Art Unit : 1745
Examiner : J. Maples
For : **CORDLESS POWER TOOL BATTERY RELEASE MECHANISM**

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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DATED: January 21, 2003

1. This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
2. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

3. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

4. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16 and 1.17)

RCE FEE		\$750.00
EXCESS CLAIM FEE		
TOTAL OVER TWENTY	8 X \$ 18.00	144.00
INDEPENDENT OVER THREE	0 X \$ 84.00	0.00

TOTAL FILING FEES		\$894.00
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5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge 19-4882 in the amount of **\$894.00**. Please charge any underpayments related to this RCE or credit any excess to Deposit Account N^o 19-4882. A duplicate of this RCE is enclosed for accounting purposes only.

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Respectfully submitted,
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